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Students arrive at Grandview Elementary.

## New school year holds new duties

GRANDVIEW Elementary was the center of attention when Clarenceville School District opened its doors for the first day of school Tuesday.

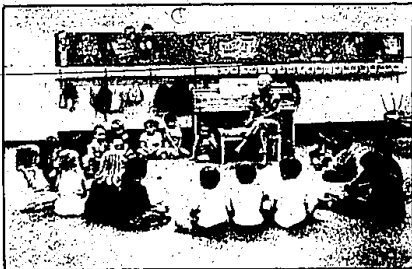
That's because former Grandview principal David Kamish will be functioning this year as superintendent of the district, replacing Jerry Monticello who resigned earlier this year.

And it's also because Grandview students themselves will have a new principal — Ellen Davis. Davis was a fifth grade teacher at Grandview last year and has 19 years' teaching experience in Clarenceville.

But when the school year started last week in Clarenceville, Kamish was functioning as Grandview principal and Davis was in the fifth grade classroom. That's because the changes won't officially be made until a permit is issued by the Michigan Department of Education.

The permit will allow Kamish to function as superintendent temporarily until fulfilling the necessary certification requirements needed

for permanent appointment. He is in the process of completing those requirements. And so all eyes were on Grandview when school opened last week. But the shuffle will soon occur and normalcy will return, both at Grandview and at board offices.

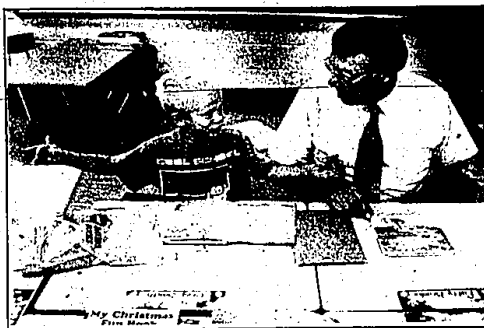


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Marsha Miller talks to her kindergarten class about rules.



Kindergarteners recite the Pledge of Allegiance on the first day of school.



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Greg Smith, 8, appears to be talking about the size of a fish he caught while talking with principal David Kamish.

## clarification

Several notable, recently completed school projects were cut from a story about the first day of school in the Farmington schools in Thursday's Observer.

They include:

- Three portable classrooms from Longacre and Flanders elementary schools were moved to Beechview and Lakeshire elementary and Power Middle School.

A new roof has been completed at North Farmington High School, and one is nearing completion at Wooddale Elementary.

Air conditioning has been added at Harrison High School. "There should not be any more concern over state air," said Don Cowan, director of building and student services for the district.

As for concerns raised recently over changes in school bus stops, Cowan said the district is continuing to monitor the concerns. "There has been a great amount of time going into it (the change), and making sure the stops are safe," he said. "We have already made some changes."

Following are two clarifications of items from Thursday's Observer:

- Farmington resident Laura Myers is chairing the commemorative quilt project for the 125th Anniversary Celebration of Farmington as a village, not Carol Kurth as noted in a story about the project.

The date for the city council election is Nov. 5, not Nov. 11, as noted in a story about candidates seeking election to the Farmington Hills City Council. Voters will take office at the first meeting following the Nov. 5 election.

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